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WOODROW WILSON PASSES TO GREAT BEYOND WHILE WIFE AND DAUGHTER WATCH BESIDE HIS BED

His Death Is Like Tired Man Going to Sleep After Long Struggle Among World Affairs During Period of Storm and Terrible Strife

Woodrow Wilson, who as President of the United States, steered America's ship of destiny during the late world war, is dead. He died at his late home in Washington Sunday morning at 11:15 o'clock.

No more comprehensive report of the death of President Wilson could be written than the following which was sent out over the Associated Press Sunday night:

Death tipped softly to the bed, side of Woodrow Wilson Sunday morning and carried him away, without resistance.

The end came peacefully at 11:15 a. m.

"He died just like a tired man going to sleep," Admiral Grayson said.

Long before, Mr. Wilson had known that his end was coming soon. With calm resignation he lay waiting for it. He dropped into a coma Saturday night and then, a few hours later, passed without knowing it into the sleep that never ends.

A few minutes before, two of his physicians, Rear Admiral Grayson and Sterling Ruffin, examined him and found him barely alive. His heart, weary with the long struggle, was just fluttering perceptibly, in the last stages of fatigue. It was certain that the end was very near.

Dr. Ruffin left his house, but Admiral Grayson stayed at the bedside to be there at the end.

Mrs. Wilson and the former President's daughter, Margaret, rearranged the pillows on the bed to make Mr. Wilson more comfortable. Then Mrs. Wilson sat down at the bedside and watched.

His Last Sleep.

About fifteen minutes before Mr. Wilson died he came out of his long sleep and opened his eyes, but apparently did not regain consciousness. Mrs. Wilson and his daughter, who were sitting on opposite sides of the bed, spoke to him, but he showed no recognition.

Mrs. Wilson could scarcely note her husband's breathing. Only the reassuring nods from Admiral Grayson from time to time told her that her husband was still alive. At times she leaned slightly over the bed and stroked the feeble arm. But already life was flickering too faintly to respond to these last touches of affection.

Anxiously her eyes followed Admiral Grayson each time he leaned over to listen to Mr. Wilson's heart, and then, with the nod of assurance, she would settle back with a weary sigh.

But once when Dr. Grayson bent over the Ex-President, the doctor's face tightened as Mrs. Wilson watched. There was a moment of agonized suspense—a flicker of doubt. Then a sad shake of the doctor's head.

The End in Peace.

That weary heart, which had carried its weakened body along so courageously, had at last yielded up the ghost—this great world figure who had stirred even the lowly peasants in the heart of Europe to a new glimpse of what civilization might become common dust before his Maker.

"His eyes remained open for about ten minutes," Grayson said, describing the death scene, "and then he closed them and passed away shortly afterward just like a tired man going to sleep."

There was a gasp from Mrs. Wilson and a moan of grief from Margaret.

Five minutes later the anxious crowd of watchers in front of the house saw the door open. Admiral Grayson came out. The visible grief written on his tired face told the news. Newspaper men hurried up, while the police held the crowd on the opposite curb.

In a low, breaking voice, Dr. Grayson read the statement announcing the death as follows:

"Mr. Wilson died at 11:15 this morning. His heart action became feeble and feeble and the heart muscle was so fatigued that it refused to act any longer. The end came peacefully. The remote causes of death lie in his ill health, which began more than four years ago, namely, arteriosclerosis with hemiplegia. The immediate cause of death was exhaustion, following a digestive disturbance which began in the early part of last week, but did not reach an acute stage until the early morning hours of Feb. 1. "CARY T. GRAYSON."

"COSI FAN TUTTE" HERE TOMORROW

TICKETS SELLING RAPIDLY FOR BIG MUSICAL EVENT

Tickets are selling rapidly for the Opera Comique "Cosi fan Tutte" (the school for lovers), which will be presented tomorrow night at the Vernon Theater under the local auspices of the Federated Clubs. Not only are orders being received from cities adjacent to Vernon, but also from many points in Oklahoma and from the plains.

The company which comes to Vernon is the original William Wade Hinshaw production. Miss Irene Williams, the famous lyric soprano, heads the brilliant array of artists. Judson House, the famous tenor, is one of the list of notables to appear in the supporting cast. Mr. House at the close of last season's operatic season appeared in Samson and Delilah in Columbus, Ohio, and made such a profound impression that urgent demands for him in oratorio have caused him to devote his entire time to that exacting form of art after this present season.

Pierre Remington, for many years leading basso with such internationally famous operatic companies as the Lombardi, National Italian and New Orleans Grand Opera company has a very important role in the opera to be given tomorrow night.

Count Leo de Hierapolis, although a nobleman of Italy, is devoting his life to the operatic stage. He was for several seasons one of the luminaries of the San Carlo Opera Company and later was with the Philadelphia Grand Opera Company.

Miss Lillian Palmer possesses a soprano voice of exquisite charm. When she sang with the company last season in Wichita Falls she received an ovation.

Miss Ellen Ramsey, dramatic soprano, will prove to be one of the outstanding artists of the company. She displays a rich voice and an excellent schooling.

But in sending on tour a company of artists such as come to us tomorrow Mr. Hinshaw, long a wise and unselfish promoter of operatic productions, fully appreciated the fact that suitable support at the piano must be given. He has chosen Alfred Calzin, concert pianist, to preside at the instrument. Calzin has appeared with such notable symphonies as the Berlin Symphony, the Paris Symphony and also the London in Europe and the New York Symphony in New York City. He is a master of technique. On many occasions he has been asked to conduct master classes. Some years ago he conducted classes in Fort Worth with outstanding success.

Mr. Hinshaw has even been more lavish in his production than the foregoing paragraphs would indicate for he has engaged Joseph Urban, scenic director of the Metropolitan to mount the production which is absolutely correct in every detail. The original costumes from the Metropolitan production are used by Mr. Hinshaw's artists, he having purchased them for the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

Tickets on sale at the Vernon Drug Store.

Mrs. Williams Returns.

Mrs. B. W. Williams, owner of the Murray shop, returned Thursday from New York City, Chicago and St. Louis where she purchased a spring and summer stock of women's furnishings.

BOND ISSUE IS CARRIED BY BIG VOTE SATURDAY

Harrold Box Rolls Up Majority of More Than 17 to 1 While Entire District Vote Is More Than 7 to 1 in Favor of Good Roads.

The \$150,000 road bond issue in the Harrold district carried in Saturday's election by one of the largest majorities ever polled in Wilbarger county. There were 250 votes cast in the election and of this number 230 were for the bonds with 20 against, making the vote almost 8 to 1 in favor of the bonds.

The bonds voted are to construct a hard surface road from the paving at the Wichita County line on this way through Harrold on the Gulf-Colorado Highway. As soon as the bond issue is approved, bids will be called for, and an effort made to get the road under construction at the earliest possible date. This piece of road will leave only a few miles of gap between Oklahoma and Harrold and a bond issue is expected to be voted at an early date in the Oklahoma district to fill in the gap, which will make a hard surfaced road from Vernon on through Wichita Falls to Burkburnett in one direction and many miles toward Fort Worth in another direction.

In the election Saturday the vote at Guyer was 27 for the bonds and two against; at Elliott 48 for and 19 against, and at Harrold 155 for and 9 against.

Vernon Students Get Best Rating from University

Austin, Feb. 4.—Announcement has just been made by H. Y. Benedict, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, at the University of Texas, of the names of students appearing on the honor roll for high scholastic standing obtained in their college courses during the fall term just past. The object of this honor list is to commend officially the one-tenth of the student body whose records rank them scholastically above the remaining nine-tenths. In compiling the list both the quantity and the quality of the work done is considered, and the students are placed in five groups according to their rank.

Students from Vernon whose work for the fall term entitles them to a place on this list are:

Mildred McLarty, C. R. Renfro, A. C. Boger, Jr.

NEW DEMONSTRATION AGENT TO ARRIVE TODAY

Miss Emma Rosalind Gunter will arrive today from Plainview to take charge of the work here as home demonstration agent for Wilbarger county. Miss Eula Goodfellow having resigned the office January 31, after nearly three years here in the capacity of home demonstration agent.

Miss Maudie Lee Mayton, district agent, will be here tomorrow to assist Miss Gunter in mapping out her work for the coming year.

SILVER TEA GIVEN BY PARENT-TEACHERS

Members of the Parent-Teachers Association of the high school and grade schools are giving a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Paul Goetze, February 14 and 15. The first evening the high school division will have charge and the members of the ward school association will entertain the next evening. All parents, teachers and friends of the Vernon schools are invited. A special program has been arranged for each night.

Automobile Licenses

The following owners were granted automobile licenses last week at the tax collector's office: Jas. Drabek, Ford; J. M. Underwood, Ford; P. L. Brown, Ford; Ernest Fluhman, Willys-Knight; Hawkins Williams, Ford; G. L. Lytle, Ford; James Stafford, Ford; Luther Webb, Ford; A. S. Tooley, Ford; W. T. Collins, Buick Sedan; C. M. Ladd, Chevrolet Truck; E. H. Pigg, Chevrolet Sedan; Ed Patterson, Chevrolet Touring; Ned Curtis, Ford; A. H. Knowles, Ford; A. A. Lampe, Overland; W. L. Hart, Ford; Carnon Brookshire, Ford.

Returns From Market.

Cy Long, manager of the Perkins-Timberlake Company, returned Friday from New York and other Eastern markets where he has been for several days buying goods.

EX-PRESIDENT TO BE BURIED WEDNESDAY.



TOURIST PARK IS SAVED TO PUBLIC

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CLOSES LEASE AND WILL NOT CHARGE TOURISTS

The Vernon Free Tourist dump will continue to be operated as such. This was assured Friday when the Chamber of Commerce leased the park from the directors of the Wilbarger County Fair Association, paying an annual rental of \$240 and agreeing to put up a seven wire fence around three sides of the camp.

Directors of the Fair Association said they had been offered \$600 lease on the park by private individuals and that they were determined to make the property at least pay its upkeep and interest. A committee from the Chamber of Commerce conferred with them and after some discussion of terms Mayor Harry Mason made a motion that the rental to the Chamber of Commerce be made as low as possible and placed the compromise figure at \$240. President Len Byars of the Fair Association said he thought the Chamber of Commerce should not have to pay more than \$100 for the park.

Directors of the Fair Association expressed a desire to see the fair grounds taken over as a county park and but under supervision of the Commissioner's court to be run as a park save when the fair is on. It was brought out that a park tax can be voted which will make it one of the most attractive in the West.

Directors of the Fair Association agreed not to charge the schools for use of the athletic field provided the school board will assume responsibility for any damage done while the park is being used by the school students and provided no cars are allowed to cross the race track.

Highest Per Cent Tax Collection Registered Here

Payments of city taxes this year will reach more than 94 per cent of the total levy, Mayor Harry Mason said yesterday. Already 93.9 per cent of the \$98,726.19 levy has been paid in and several hundred dollars more are to be paid within the next few days.

Mayor Mason said that despite the fact that there was a decrease in taxation in the city this year because the valuation was decreased and the rate remained the same, there will be more money in the city coffers because of the big per cent of taxes collected.

FARGO CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. HOLLAND

Members of the Fargo community club will meet Friday, February 15, with Mrs. Q. Holland. The following program will be given:

Song, "Work For The Night Is Coming."

"Hat Making" — Mrs. George Stafford.

"Fancy Work" — Mrs. R. E. Harrell.

"Fashion Hints" — Miss Mary Richards.

HARROLD AGAIN VICTOR IN FAST BASKETBALL GAME

For Fourth Consecutive Year Covey's Men Win County Championship in Finals for the Interscholastic League Record

For the fourth consecutive time Harrold school has won the championship of Wilbarger county in senior boys basketball contests. The county finals played at the Fair Grounds here Saturday resulted in a victory for Harrold over Vernon High by a score of 18 to 4.

In the morning Harrold defeated White City by a score of 24 to 12. Harrold did not use all its first team in this game and for awhile it appeared as if White City might at least tie the score, but in the end Harrold conquered. Vernon defeated Oklahoma by a score of 16 to 4 in a game which showed Oklahoma to have one of the hardest fighting teams in the county. Jack Turpin and Claude Orr were outstanding players for Oklahoma.

The feature game of the day was between Harrold and Vernon in the county finals. The game was called at 3 o'clock. The accurate passing of the Harrold team was a big feature of the game. Although Walker, Vernon's star football player, had been sick for three days previous, he entered the game and his basketball playing showed him to be a star. He never weakened and with Bowman as a team mate, he did some unusual playing.

The line-up: Harrold, forwards, Rook and McNamara; center, Clynch; guards, V. Clynch and Houtchens. Vernon: Forwards, Walker and Bowman; center, Burchfield; guards, Bowman and Bourland. Vernon substitutes: Holler, Reed, Huffman.

Mr. Burton, coach of athletics of Clearendon College, was referee for all the games.

"The Fairy Doll" Thursday Night at Opera House

Mrs. Pollyanna Holly, teacher of expression, will present her class, Thursday night, February 7 at the Vernon Opera House, in a pantomime, "The Fairy Doll." Miss Frances Murchison is taking the part of the fairy doll. Others in the cast are:

Shopkeeper—Mrs. Ben Leutwyler.

His Helper—Nina Ruth Terrell.

Englishman—Iris Young.

Dolls—Minerva Price Rhoads.

Allice Stokes, Katherine Pigg, Edith E. Brown, Lola Hall, Addie Lewis, Athalia Pyle, Morris John Honaker, Rosa V. Cole, Edna Earl Gregory, Dixie Lee Cole, Ruth Kell Latz.

Customers—Merle Brunson, Leta Williams, Elizabeth Hicks, Martha Long, Katherine Wheatley, Kathryn McCulloch, Anita Frances Dickerson, Anna Joe Murchison, Marie Smith, Henry Nabers.

Ground Hog Saw His Shadow in Vernon Saturday

West Texas is doomed for six weeks more bad weather. That fact was clinched Saturday when the proverbial Ground Hog came out and saw his shadow.

Since Mr. Noah Webster says a Ground Hog and a Woodchuck are the same thing and since there are no Woodchucks in this immediate territory, it may be possible that this section will escape. But the old superstition has it that if the Ground Hog comes out on February 2 and is able to see his shadow he will crawl back in his hole for another six weeks and that bad weather will prevail during that period.

Weather Causes Postponement of Legion Meeting

Because of the altogether uninviting weather which prevailed yesterday and last night, the smoker and installation of officers for the local American Legion Post was postponed until next Monday night.

Judge Guy Rogers, and Joe Hatt, both of Wichita Falls, and both World War Veterans, will address the veterans at their smoker. The battle of Chateau Thierry will be fought all over again and an all-around merry meeting is planned.

FIRE DESTROYS BUSINESS HOUSES IN VERNON CAUSING LOSS OF FULLY \$175,000

Originating in Dixon Dry Goods Store Flames Swept Southward With Wind and Threatened Destruction to All of Vernon Business District

Fire originating from an unknown cause in the Dixon Dry Goods Company, did damage in Vernon last night to the extent of fully \$175,000 and for half an hour threatened destruction of the main business part of town. The fire started in the rear of the Dixon Store and the building was a mass of flames on the inside before it was discovered. A driving north wind swept the fire southward until it took in the Massie-Coffee Grocery building to the south and the Shive, Piper and Wright Grocery on the west, damaged the Waggoner National Bank building and even swept eastward across Main street and damaged the Sigler building and the front of Brunson and Williams.

The solid wall of the Waggoner National Bank building probably saved the business district of the town. The fire department did as good work as any city department could possibly have done, but with the north wind blowing it would have been next to impossible for them to have checked the flames had the wall not been encountered. Time and again the flames leaped in fury to get over the wall and the firemen stood their ground, risking their lives, but they succeeded in conquering the blaze.

O'NEAL STABBED BY ASSAILANT

VERNON MAN INJURED AS HE ENTERS GARAGE TO INVESTIGATE

F. A. N. O'Neal had a narrow escape from death at the hand of an assassin early last night when he received a severe knife wound on the chin and one cheek. The wound was made by a man who darted from the garage in the rear of the O'Neal home as Mr. O'Neal entered.

Hearing a noise in the garage, Mr. O'Neal went out to investigate. He was unarmed and as he entered a man rushed at him, with knife in hand, stabbing at Mr. O'Neal's throat. Mr. O'Neal dodged and at the same time struck the man on the hand, dodged the knife struck him on the chin and cheek, making a painful gash. The assailant escaped in the dark.

Elliott Girls in Field for Contest to Win All Honors

F. H. Elam, principal of the Elliott school, has developed a girls' basketball team which he thinks can defeat any other girls' team in the county. His team defeated the Thompson school girls' team by a score of 23 to 5 and now Elliott wants to see a county championship contest between girls' teams.

Mr. Elam has also developed a fast volley ball team and is seeking to match games with any school in the county that wants to play. He is doing everything he can to develop athletics as outlined by the Interscholastic league.

City Poll Taxes Paid for Present Year Total 1216

The voting strength of Vernon will be 180 more this year than it was last year. City Secretary S. H. Hall has just completed his check of the poll taxes paid which shows there were 1216 receipts issued this year against 1036 last year.

Mr. Hall thinks that the increase in Vernon's population has a great deal to do with the increase in the voting strength this year but he thinks the fact that there are so many elections coming on also has something to do with it.

"THE LITTLE CLODHOOPER" AT EAST VERNON FRIDAY

Pupils of the East Vernon school house are staging a play, "The Little Clodhopper" Friday night, February 8 at the school house. The play was postponed from the February 1 to February 8 because of one of the players was injured just before the play was to have been given.

The offices of Dewey Wilson and that of Rogers and Larimore, upstairs over the buildings destroyed, were complete losses. Practically all contents of both offices were burned.

fire line and relieved the Vernon firemen who had been fighting the flames. They remained on duty all night.

Studebaker Wins Yosemite Race for Fourth Time

Thrusting triumphantly through snow and mud roads, a Studebaker for the fourth year in succession won the hilly contested race to be the first touring car to enter the Yosemite Valley and drive in at the ranger's checking station.

The annual pilgrimage over the snow-tortured roads of the Sierras in order to appear first in the valley is one of the most gruelling grinds known to mankind, and is therefore a highly coveted honor for Studebaker. No car has ever won the race four times before.

The winning passenger car was a stock Studebaker Big Six, dispatched from the show rooms of the Chester N. Weaver Company, San Francisco. The car was piloted through the "thick going" of the Wawona road by H. M. Gregory. He was welcomed at the park by Chief Ranger, F. S. Townsley.

"Well," exclaimed the Chief Ranger, "we're not surprised. Although the roads are just about impassable now, we were looking for you. Year after year a Studebaker has been the first touring car into the Yosemite, and we just figured there would be one along again this year."

The Chief Ranger thereupon issued the first touring car permit of the 1924 season to this Studebaker.

FOSTER'S BULLETIN.

Washington, Feb. 4, 1914.—Generally cooler weather is promised following Feb. 9, but the severe storms of the week centering on 12 will bring higher temperatures on all parts of the continent. That storm period will be very severe and may bring moisture to some of the dry spots. Last half of February promises much more quiet weather and better for outdoor affairs. The great storms are making strenuous efforts to dislodge the great drought and, in some cases, have had some success. The unusual war of the element makes weather forecasting difficult. I overlooked the important fact that the western parts of the Caribbean Sea and Gulf of Mexico are strongly magnetized and therefore are furnishing unusually large amounts of moisture that goes to meet the storms coming from the middle northwest and, for that reason, the drought has, so far, been continuously broken in western Texas and southwestern Oklahoma.

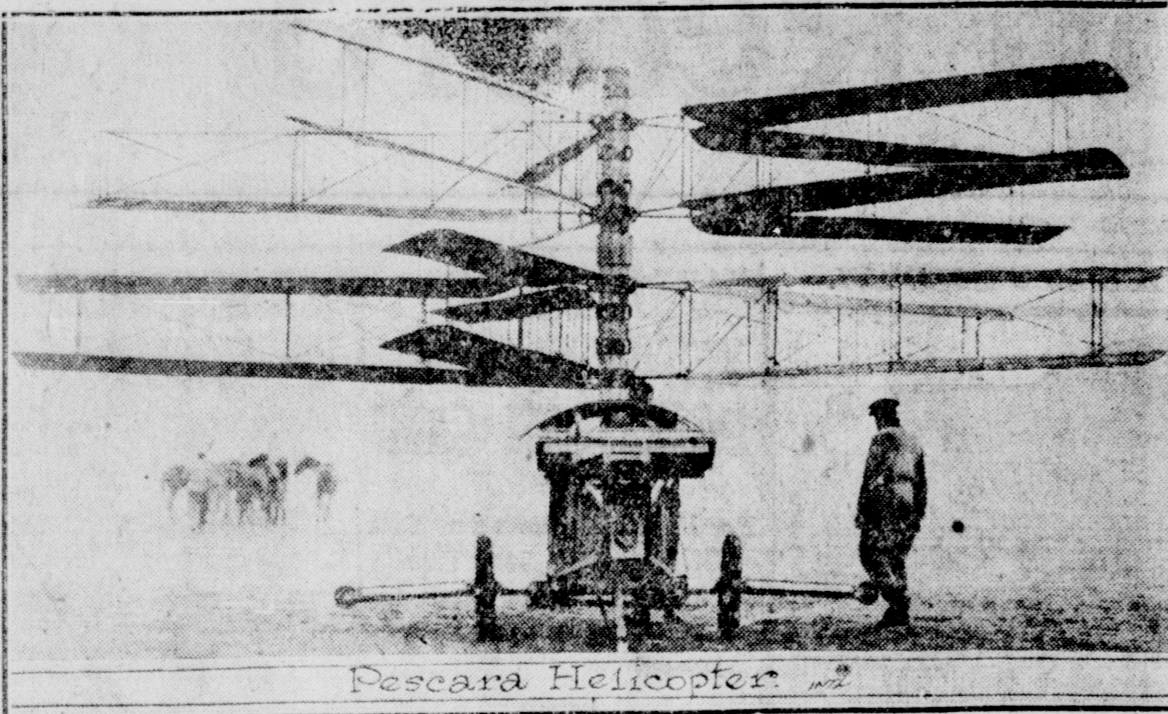
Indications are that the storm forces of March will be near the 10-year average and therefore not strong enough to break the drought where it will have started during the quiet weather last half of February. Considering the drought conditions March promises to be a fair crowweather month. I am hoping that the voyage into the vicinity of our north magnetic pole, by the great air ship, will be a great success, not so much in discovering new lands, as seems to be the purpose, but in learning more about that immense weather-breeding nest that surrounds our magnetic north pole. Our storms are bred by planetary influences outside our atmosphere, come down through our north magnetic pole and are hatched in that far northwestern hatchery of the storms. Tell us more about that great storm nest and I will make better weather forecasts.

A recent dispatch from San Francisco to, and published in, the Washington Star, says:

"The unusually dry year in California is having a depressing effect on wholesale trade in nearly every line. Stockmen are faced with heavy losses and buying by farmers, it is estimated, has decreased from 25 to 50 per cent. Precipitation is about 400 per cent under normal. Auto accessory dealers report a decline. Wholesale butchers declare that an early rise in the price of lamb and beef is inevitable. Farmers are abandoning plans for the purchase of new equipment."

Similar results have come to all the Pacific slope west of Rockies' crest and to two large sections east of that. I do not miss the great droughts, but I do miss some of the details. I am publishing above as a warning to you that a much greater and more disastrous drought is coming to a large section of the best agricultural lands of North

HELICOPTER MAKES NEW RECORD IN FLIGHT.



M. Pescara is shown here in the helicopter in which he created a new record before the officials of the Aero Club of France by rising vertically and flying in a circle and in a straight line, covering altogether one kilometer and 160 meters in eight minutes and thirteen and four-fifths seconds. The flight took place at the aerodrome at Issy-les-Moulineaux, near Paris.



America during the whole of the 1925 crop season. I am positive in warning you to save all the grain you can to tide over that more disastrous drought than has ever struck North America.

Western Europe will get a dangerous and destructive drought during the crop season of 1925. Nature cannot go back on itself and that European drought is as sure as the sun will rise. I wish I could whisper into every farmer's ear, through a vast radio, the immense importance of a great drought, both in Europe and North America, during the 1925 crop season.

DOANS NEWS.

A severe sand storm hit us Sunday evening and is still raging.

A small fire caught in a closet in one of the rooms of Edd Armstrong's house Monday evening and it burned several pieces of clothing, and would have destroyed the whole house in a short time, but Mr. Armstrong's father discovered it in time and extinguished the

blaze before serious damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brisco of Electra visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Armstrong visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Adams Wednesday.

J. S. Archer was in this community Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jordan of Rayland spent Wednesday in the Armstrong home.

J. A. O'Neal was a Vernon visitor Tuesday and Wednesday.

The ladies of Doans gathered in the Harrison home last week and quilted for Mrs. J. P. Richardson, who lost her home by fire. They will quilt again this week in the Eaton home.

Odell and Doans played basket ball Friday evening on the Doans court, the score being 20 and 21 in favor of Odell.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ross of Vernon visited C. F. Doan Sunday.

Several families of Fargo visited in the Harrison home Sunday. They were to have sung there Sunday,

but the sand was so bad they postponed it till later.

Mrs. Chas. Igon visited her father, C. F. Doan, Wednesday. She returned to her home at Electra Wednesday evening.

Edd Armstrong is on the sick list this week.

Harold Brisco of Electra was in Doans Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore gave the young folks a party Friday night. All report a nice time.

Mrs. Lee Armstrong has been sick the past week.

Prof. Shultz visited his family at Hess, Okla., the week-end.

Carl McDaniel lost a horse Saturday night.

Mrs. J. H. Perry has returned to her home in Fort Worth after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith.

The man who used to have a weak back from shopping wood now has a son who has a weak back from cranking his automobile on a cold morning.

IN SOCIETY

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

The Avalon Bridge club meets today with Miss Lily Castlebury.

Mrs. B. A. Williams is hostess Wednesday to the Delphian club.

Mrs. Gladner Young is hostess to the Social-Art club, Thursday afternoon.

The Home Science club will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. G. G. Kemp of Fannin street.

The Rebekah lodge will meet Friday night at the Odd Fellow hall.

MRS. YOUNGBLOOD HOSTESS TO FRIDAY BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. E. O. Youngblood of West Wilbarger street was hostess to the members of the Friday Bridge club, Friday afternoon.

Three tables of guests played. Mrs. E. L. McCarter won high score and received a box of stationery. A salad course was served to Mesdames Louie Boner, E. L. McCarter, S. S. Munger, Dee Norwood, Joe Parker, E. M. Haney, S. C. Rodgers, and Misses Mary Anderson, Esther Swartwood, Ruby Williams and Harriet Thomas.

MRS. ELLIOTT HONOREE AT BRECKENRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Le Baume Elliott, former Vernon girl, was honoree at a delightful reception in Breckenridge last week just before her departure for Abilene where Mr. and Mrs. Elliott will make their home.

Miss Beryl Dixon, sister of Mrs. Elliott, is visiting her and was also present at the reception.

The following appeared in the society columns of a Breckenridge paper:

Mrs. R. W. Ramey was the charming hostess to members of the Queen of Clubs Friday at 2:30 p. m., at a delightful informal reception, at her home on the east side.

Bridge was played with Mrs. J. D. Sanderfer winning high score and was presented with a beautiful Japanese vase.

Mrs. Otis Ramsey won a cut prize, a china nut bowl was presented for that honor.

As an expression of appreciation of Mrs. Le Baume Elliott, the club presented her with a set of twelve individual salt and pepper stands of Dutch silver design. Mrs. Elliott is to leave to make her home in Abilene after the first of February and the club members wished to remember her in this nice manner.

While the games were in progress the hostess served home-made candy and at the conclusion of the playing a refreshment course was served consisting of stuffed tomatoes, wafers, toasted chicken sandwiches and olives, hot chocolate and whipped cream, chocolate cake.

PRESIDENT OF 7TH DISTRICT HONOREE AT LUNCHEON

Mrs. Reese Tatum of Dalhart president of the Seventh District of Women's clubs was honoree Friday at a luncheon at the Vernon Hotel given by representatives of the Federated clubs of the city. Mrs. Tatum was returning from a state board meeting at Fort Worth and stopped off for an informal visit to the clubs here. The table was very pretty with the decorations suggestive of Valentine's day. Twenty-two club women were present for the luncheon.

Mrs. A. N. Vernon, past president of the Wilbarger Federation acted as chairman and introduced Mrs. Tatum. Mrs. O. A. Grunson, who had been a friend of the honoree for several years told of her life in club work and on behalf of the clubs presented Mrs. Tatum with a corsage of sweet peas. Mrs. C. M. Blair, as president of the County Federation of clubs gave a resume of the work done by the Federation during the past year. Mrs. J. E. Collins, president of the woman's club told of the activities of her club as did Mrs. W. N. Stokes, president of the Musicians' club. Mrs. Y. H. Babasin, president of the Delphians, Mrs. E. L. Keltz, past president of the Home Science, Mrs. Ben Leutwyler for the Home Economics and Mrs. L. A. Hollar, president of the Shive school Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. Tatum in a speech of appreciation thanked the club women who had honored her with the luncheon and promised to return soon for another visit. She expressed the hope that she might be able to meet with more of the club women of Vernon and of the rural communities on her next visit.

NEW SHIPMENT OF TIRES DIRECT FROM FACTORY

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Days In Feb. This Year

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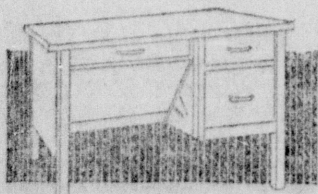
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iss Goodfellow and Fletcher W. Smith Married Saturday

Eula Goodfellow and Fletcher W. Smith of San Angelo, were married Saturday morning at 8:30 by Rev. L. J. Mims, pastor of First Baptist church at his home on Main street. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left immediately after the ceremony by automobile for their home in San Angelo.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Goodfellow of San Angelo and for the past three years has been home demonstration agent for the county. Since her marriage she has had marked success in club work among the women of the rural community.

Through her untiring efforts interest has been manifested in work of making conditions on the farms in the county. She will be greatly missed among people with whom she worked in the city and rural community.

W. Jordan Is Out for Office of Public Weigher

W. Jordan is announcing in the Record for the office of Public Weigher, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. Mr. Jordan has been a resident of the county for 25 years, most of that time having been spent on a farm near Rayland.

Mr. Jordan feels capable of handling the duties of the office and feels that if elected, he will be able to do justice to all with whom he has dealt. He feels that he understands the cotton situation, having bought on for three years and is thoroughly conversant with the duties of a public weigher.

It is his intention to see the voters of the county and lay personal claims for the office before the election. He asks a careful consideration of his qualifications for the office and if they can be conscientiously voted for him at the Democratic primary in July.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cane of Election visited her sister, Mrs. George Stafford Saturday night and Sunday.

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TRY THESE OUT ON YOUR OWN BRAIN

"Anachronism" is a word that gives much trouble to freshmen in the English department at Southern Methodist University and perhaps at other universities. In a recent test paper it was defined as "a belief in more than one god," "a rebellion against the government," "a short writing of any kind," and as "something strong." Other words also cause trouble to the freshmen struggling toward better things. "Ambiguous" was recently defined as meaning "to try to amount to something" while "mundanum" was defined as a "musical instrument."

Prominent characters in history and literature, it is hoped, will be better known some day to the freshmen who wrote that "Oman Khayyam was a Danish author" and that "Hannibal was the leader of a Christian movement in England."

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Greatest Film of Age Opens in Wichita Soon

At the Palace Theater at Wichita Falls on Monday night, Feb. 11th, will be held the widely heralded premiere of the Universal production "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" which won the unqualified praise of New York critics, being generally hailed as the finest achievement of the age.

Produced with utter disregard for cost with a cast of stellar notables the same lavishness is being shown in the presentations. A special car of scenic equipment a stage crew as large as that required for musicals, and a symphony orchestra of twenty-two pieces assure a perfect performance here and in all other cities.

However, owing to the cost and expense of presentation it is being restricted to the largest theaters and will not be shown in any regular motion picture houses before 1925, if then. A careful survey proved to Universal officials that it was impossible to show this production in the ordinary manner as it is for Flo Zeigfeld to play small cities at popular prices.

Throughout the Hugo master piece runs a beautiful love story—certain changes were made in the production in order to avoid offending any particular religious body, but these changes have been endorsed by all who have seen the production.

Lon Chaney leads the stellar cast of 3,091, which includes such notables as Ernest Terrence, Patsy Ruth Miller, Tully Marshall, Brandon Hurst, Nigel de Brulier and Winifred Bryson. The majority of these are as well known on the stage as on the screen.

FARGO NEWS.

The Fargo community club met with Mrs. James Stafford Friday, January 1, with several members present. There were visitors from the Hinds club, and after the business meeting hot chocolate and cake were served to those present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. M. C. Holland.

The school children are enjoying the hot lunch served by the Parent-Teacher association.

Misses Thelma Lindsey and Betty Querner visited Mr. and Mrs. Orr Cato Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. R. J. Stowe is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Connel Olive.

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Real Estate Transfers.

S. D. Lawlis et ux, to W. M. Thompson, W. 1-2 of S. 1-2 of Block 85, South Addition to Vernon.

H. L. McWaters et ux to J. H. E. Young, 115 3-4 acres out of Northwest part of Section 35, Block 12, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

Elijah Lowe et ux to W. H. Anderson, et ux, S. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 of Sec. 94, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

G. J. Husar to Luther Webb, lot 5, block 12, Robinson Addition to Vernon.

C. J. Farrell to Godfrey Street, 21 1-2 feet by 100 feet out of the Northwest corner of Block 12, original town of Vernon.

Robert Houssels, et ux to Dixon Dry Goods Co., a corporation, S. 27 1-2 feet of North 55 feet of lots 10, 11 and 12, block 2, original town of Vernon.

J. H. Marriott et ux to Clara Turner, part of Subdivision 11, Waggoner Colony lands.

J. W. Adams et ux to H. S. Starr, SS 1-3 feet by 187 1-6 feet out of the Southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 1, Bacon & Bentley and the East, SS 1-3 feet of triangular block out of the Northeast corner of the South half of Section 19, block 12, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

H. R. White to Della Houssels, E. 75 feet of 2 1-4 acre tract on North side of Willinger street in South half of Section 19, block 12, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

Thos. A. King to R. W. King, lot 12, block 4, North Addition to Vernon.

R. W. King to Thos. A. King, lot 13, block 66, Original town of Vernon.

Lon Byars to D. Z. Shepard 9-10 of an acre out of Section 14, block 12, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

Mrs. Jennie Rice, et al to Ida Adams, block 118, South Addition to Vernon.

E. L. McHugh, et ux to J. W. McCrary, lot 19, Block 3, Wheatley Addition to Vernon.

W. K. Long, Jr., et ux, to Davis B. May, et ux, lot 6, block 1, Hill Crest Road Addition to Vernon.

M. J. Moore et ux to C. Fred Russell, N. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4, block 47, South Addition to Vernon.

E. L. McCarter et ux to J. B. Morris, et al, lots 6, 7 and 8, block 5, West Vernon Heights Addition to Vernon.

W. H. Hofschulte et ux to Homer E. Rogers, N. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4, block 46, South Addition to Vernon.

E. A. Vernon to C. Fred Russell, lot 16, block 2, Wheatley Addition to Vernon.

J. A. Cox, et al to E. L. McCarter, W. 1-2 of lot 2, W. 1-2 of lot 15, and all of lot 16, block 2, West Vernon Heights Addition to Vernon.

A. B. Spencer et ux to E. L. McCarter, lots 6, 7 and 8, block 5, West Vernon Heights Addition to Vernon.

W. E. Gandy et ux to H. R. Kuhn, S. W. 1-4 of block 4, Texas Townsite Company's Addition to Vernon.

Wm. T. Cook et ux to Lee Crownover, a part of Sec. 65, block 12, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

M. B. Allman et ux to L. P. Bonner, W. 1-2 lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, block 36, Original town of Vernon.

R. H. Coffee et ux to M. L. Bonner, lot 6, block 2, Hill Crest Road Addition to Vernon.

Elmer E. Pardue et al to W. A. Beck, lot 15, block 21, original town of Vernon.

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COCA COLA KING FIGHTS SUIT.



Asa G. Candler & Mrs. Onezima De Bouchell

Asa G. Candler, multi-millionaire Coca-Cola king of Atlanta, Ga., is contesting the \$500,000 breach of promise suit brought by Mrs. Onezima De Bouchell, New Orleans society woman, now on trial in the Federal District Court in Atlanta. Mrs. De Bouchell alleges Candler broke off their engagement on the pretense that she had invited men to her room in an Atlanta hotel, and she sued to clear her name. Candler retorted that Mrs. De Bouchell, at the time they were engaged, was still the wife of Adolphe Rouquet, of New Orleans, whom she divorced later in Reno, Nev., and their engagement, therefore, was void.

Oil and Gas Leases Assignments.

Carl Zipperle to W. H. Heinzerling S. 1-2 of N. W. 1-4, S. W. 1-4 of N. E. 1-4, N. E. 1-4 of S. W. 1-4, and N. 1-2 of S. E. 1-4 of Section 80, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

W. H. Heinzerling to Heinzerling Oil Corporation, same land above.

W. T. Knight to Kimmell & Dillard, N. W. 1-4 of S. E. 1-4, Sec. 4, Block 7, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

J. S. Dennis to J. L. Fitzhugh, S. 13 1-2 acres of E. 33 1-2 acres of N. 73 1-2 acres of Subdivision 88, Waggoner Colony lands.

L. Fitzhugh to Emma B. Fitzhugh, S. 13 1-2 acres of E. 33 1-2 acres of N. 73 1-2 acres of Sub. 88, Waggoner Colony lands.

Carl Zipperle to C. J. Farrell, S. E. 1-4 of S. E. 1-4 of Sec. 84, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

J. W. Hingst et ux to Gerhard Schur, all oil, gas and other minerals in and under S. 1-2 of N. W. 1-4 and N. 100 acres of S. W. 1-4 of Section 10, Block 9, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

W. J. Baker et ux to Henry L. Ayers, E. 1-2 of S. W. 1-4 of N. E. 1-4 of Sec. 85, Block 14, of the H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Surveys.

C. D. Ashenbush to G. C. Morris, undivided 1-4 interest in Section 70, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

H. H. and Emory Rhoads to J. S. Dennis, E. 1-2 of Subdivision 78, Waggoner Colony lands.

W. T. Waggoner Trust Estate to J. S. Dennis, 40 acres square out of

S. W. corner Subdivision 106, Waggoner Colony.

W. J. Baker et ux to M. F. Armstrong, S. E. 1-4 of N. E. 1-4 of Sec. 85, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

W. H. Stephens et al to Daniel Bond, N. 60 acres of S. E. 1-4 of Sec. 83, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

S. E. Lloyd et ux to A. P. Howard, et al, N. 1-4 of Sec. 71, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

S. E. Lloyd et ux to W. D. Berry, E. 40 acres of N. E. 1-4 Sec. 71, Block 14, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey.

BAPTIST FIELD WORKERS MEET WITH AUXILIARY

Misses Kate Myers and Lloyd, field workers among the Baptist young people were present Friday afternoon at a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Baptist church. Miss Lloyd was here trying to interest the high school students to attend conferences to be held at Baptist schools. Miss Myers is secretary and field worker of Texas.

A splendid musical program was given and interesting talks made by Misses Myers and Lloyd. Delicious refreshments were served and a social half hour was enjoyed at the close of the program.

Friday evening, Misses Myers and Lloyd were entertained by Mrs. J. W. Wheatley at her home on Willinger street. All the young people of the church were invited to attend this reception.

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MISS MILDRED McLARTY MEMBER OF GLEE CLUB

Miss Mildred McLarty, student in Texas University is a member of the University Girls' Glee Club. The membership is composed of about forty-five voices. In conjunction with the String Ensemble, the first musical number was given at the Junior High School in Austin last week. They scored quite a hit in the pleasing program. The feature of the evening was the song "Sainte Marie Magdalene."

PRUNE TREES NOW FOR BEST RESULTS

College Station.—In order to secure the best results in the home orchard it is frequently necessary to prune and trim the trees. This should be done during the winter months while the trees are dormant and before sap begins to rise. Unless one has had previous experience it is advisable to talk to the county farm extension agent about shaping so as to receive the best results.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the reputation or standing of any individual, firm or corporation, that may appear in the columns of The Record, will be gladly corrected when called to the attention of the editor.**WOODROW WILSON.**

The passing of America's wartime President has plunged the nation into sorrow. Perhaps not in recent times has a man who held the highest office in his country been subjected to the criticism which often bordered onto the cheapest sort of back-biting. No doubt these unhappy experiences hastened his death.

But all of these small things that are the stock in trade of the common politician are now stilled by the hand of death. Decency will demand that these petty things shall come to an end and we will soon begin to get a proper perspective of the greatness of the man who led the United States through the greatest war of all history.

Mistakes he made, to be sure, because he was only human, but those who disabuse their minds of political and personal considerations must realize that in his planning he was guided by none but the loftiest ideals and the highest motives for the welfare of his country and for the recognition of America's proper place in the world.

He envisioned a world peace and made plans for the ultimate fruition of this hope of all the peoples of the world, and in his plans for such a condition he gave to his country, the country of Washington and Lincoln, a large place of obligation and responsibility. Partisan politics obscured the real purposes of Woodrow Wilson. His policies never had a fair chance before the people. But he has gone before the Supreme Judge of all the universe, where, we are persuaded he will have a more understanding and sympathetic hearing, and ultimately when the passions engendered by politics and the vicissitudes of war suffering have passed the world will pay homage to the memory of the man who above all others of his day, worked most diligently for the priceless boon of world peace.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN.

Too much praise can not be given to the Vernon Volunteer firemen who last night risked their own lives time and again to check a fire which, for a time, threatened to destroy the entire business district of Vernon.

Unmindful of personal danger, never waiting for orders, the firemen, to a man, went to their work like veterans and no city fire department ever did better work. With the air filled with smothering smoke, with flames darting in every direction and scorching their skin, the Vernon firemen refused to give an inch and fought on until they conquered the flames. Had it not been for their work and the solid North wall of the Waggoner National Bank, Vernon's business district would have been a mass of ruins today.

OBEY THE LAW

Double parking and parking in the middle of the streets is against the law in Vernon. It is against the law in most cities that make any kind of an effort to regulate traffic. But despite the fact that there is a law against such parking and despite the fact that the officers have issued warnings against it the parking continues.

Last week there was a fire and the fire wagon rushing to put out the blaze was hampered by cars parked in the middle of the street right in a block where the wagon had to turn. The driver was sharply a good driver or else there would have been a collision and de-

struction of property with probable loss of life.

If the people do not observe the parking law they should be arrested and made to pay fines. Then, if they continue to violate the law it might not be a bad idea to give the fire department a steam roller with a speed of about 50 miles an hour and let the street hogs suffer the consequences.

BUILDUP THE COUNTY.
(By Phoebe K. Warner)

At 2:30 p. m. on May 13, 1897, the delegates to the first meeting of women's club in the State of Texas, were called to order by Mrs. Edward Dickson, president of the Women's Club of Waco. That meeting was held in Waco twenty-seven years ago this May.

There were delegates present from eighteen Texas clubs. Those clubs represented the cities of Austin, Cleburne, Corsicana, Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Garrettsville, Houston, McKinney, Sherman, Tyler, Terrell, Waco and Denison. Three other clubs had no delegates present but sent in their applications to join the new State Federation of Women's Clubs.

At that meeting the organization which is today known as the Texas Federation of Women's Club was created. There was a total of 32 delegates present representing 14 cities in the State and the federation was created with 21 clubs as charter members of the federation. We have no record of the exact number of women in the federation at its beginning but a conservative guess would be not more than 10 to 25 members to the club which would mean a total membership of from 400 to 500 women.

That was less than 27 years ago. Twenty-seven years ago at this time there was no Federation of Women's Clubs in Texas. It was not born until May 13, of that year. Today the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs is divided into seven great districts, each with its own corps of officers. And at the last meeting in Wichita Falls, the State Chairman of club extension reported more than 800 women's clubs in the State Federation with a total membership of over 50,000. Almost every county in the State is now represented by one or more clubs in the State Federation. And practically every town of 1,000 population or more is represented when the roll is called at all the district meetings. There are several clubs in the State Federation at this time that have more members in their own individual club than there were in the whole State Federation at its beginning. As an illustration of its growth more than 230 new clubs were added to the State roster during the last administration of two years. When the new Seventh district was created only two years ago by dividing the great First district it started out with 38 clubs already organized in the district, which was more than three times as many as the State federation started with. In the first two years of the life of the Seventh district 67 more new clubs were organized. It was all because the women in the newer part of the State were homesome and hungry for the companionship of other women. They saw what the women were doing for their home communities in other parts of the State and they wanted to do something for their part of Texas. But there is not a great big city in all that territory. There is not a city of even 25,000 population in all that district. But it almost doubled its forces in two years.

How did they do it? The women of the Seventh district set out from the very start to build on the lives of the women in the little towns and the rural communities and the county as a whole. The response was almost universal. Is there anywhere in the State where the spirit of the Texas Federation of Wo-

Blinding Headaches

"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used

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and it relieved me. "About eight years ago my wife got down with liver and stomach trouble. We tried all week to help her, but she didn't get any better. One day I said to the doctor, 'I believe I will try Black-Draught, it helps my liver.' He said that I might try it and to follow directions. She was nauseated and couldn't eat or rest. She began taking Black-Draught and in two days she was greatly improved and in a week she was up." "Try Black-Draught. It costs only one cent a dose. Sold everywhere. E-99

American Engineering Expert Honored.**Elmer Thompson**

Prof. Elmer Thompson, one of the founders of the General Electric Company and holder of 700 patents, is the first American to be honored with the Lord Kelvin Gold Medal. This is given every three years by British and American engineering societies, acting jointly. Prof. Thompson, now head of the research laboratory of the Lynn, Mass., works of the General Electric Company, sailed in July to receive the medal in London.

men's Clubs is needed most it is in the little town and the rural community. And it can do for the little place what it has done for the cities if we will plan a way to take the spirit of the State federation to the little places in our State. And it will do for every county in Texas as just what it has done for every city in Texas if we will make the work of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs reach the whole country and all its interests instead of stopping the spirit of the State federation at the city limits. The country and the small town and the whole county is a part of the State of Texas just the same as the city is a part. And the State Federation will never be a complete State organization if it will never be a true democracy of women and for women until it reaches all the women of the county.

But suppose we try to get every group of women in every county into the State Federation as individual groups? What is going to happen after a while? What has already happened? Already there are so many clubs in every district that it is impossible to hold a convention composed of busy women long enough for half of them to tell all their club has done during the year. One of the scariest experiences in a woman's club convention is to get up to tell all you know in two minutes. Usually you get so scared that you forget all you do know. And if you do not get scared you try to talk so fast you almost choke to death trying to get through your report before you are called down. Now days to save time a row of women will be called up like a sizzling class in a district school, and each one will be allowed to have her little say and then sit down whether she is through or not. Something is going to have to

be changed if the club reports multiply and we hope they will.

Why not plan your club work by counties and let some one have time to tell the really big things that each county has done? Let's think in terms of our county for the next two years. Let's study our county and its needs. Let's do the things we ought to do for all the people in the county. Let's make the spirit of the State federation reach every home in the county. You will be surprised how much bigger and better your work will be in the cities when your work for your whole county and the smaller towns and all the rural districts.

Can we not make the COUNTY the unit of club work in Texas? The county is the educational unit. It is the political unit. Why not make it the social unit and the civic unit? There is not a county in Texas that could not have in just a few years everything it needs for all its people if the women of the whole county were working together for those things. What is the mission of the Texas Federation of Women's Club? Is it to serve the cities and towns alone or is it to serve the best interests of the whole State? How can it best serve the whole State and be made up solely of 50,000 women, most of whom are citizens of some city or town?

The public opinion of the women of the whole county needs to be aroused and molded into a county power to move things in every county, and to do things in every county. The woman's club is where most women's opinions have been molded. The thought of all the women in every county is needed in that county to help promote the progress of that county. The woman's club is the place to study such things. Let's build up more city clubs. The State needs them. The county needs them most. And it is in their home county that every city club can be of greatest service. Let's get the clubs of every county together in this State to build up the life of all the people in every county.

A. & M. COLLEGE WILL SEND BOYS TO FARMS

College Station.—The A. & M. College of Texas will attempt to send the farm boys back to the rural schools as teachers and thus supply the country schools with their first teacher supply fund.

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See the Nearest Authorized Ford Dealer**NEW JAPANESE CABINET IN BITTER FIGHT****New Japanese Cabinet**

This is the first photograph to reach America of the new Kiyoura Cabinet, which began its official life by dissolving the Diet amid scenes of riot, during which Premier Viscount Keigo Kiyoura beat and kicked Minister of Railways Kenjiro Komatsu, while the other Cabinet Ministers fled in fear of their lives. In the front row are Dr. Rentaro Misuno, Minister of Home Affairs, and Premier, the Viscount Keigo Kiyoura. In the second row are, left to right, Admiral Kakichi Murakami, Minister of Marine; Mr. Senshi Egi, Minister of Education; Viscount Toshisada Susuki, Minister of Justice. In the back row are Mr. Kenjiro Komatsu, Minister of Railways; Mr. Kobayashi, Chief Secretary of the Cabinet; Baron Fujimura, Minister of Communications; Mr. Kazuo Shoda, Minister of Finance, and Baron Matsui, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

mentally trained for a perception and appreciation of the problems of country life as encountered in the schoolroom and in the local community environment. The College will do this by offering a modified course in agriculture in which some of the more technical subjects in agriculture are substituted with English, Psychology and Classroom Methodology and which put the institution on a parity with the other colleges and universities of the state by permitting it to award elementary teachers' certificates to men who complete the freshman work, high school certificates at the end of their sophomore year and permanent certificates on graduation of the four-year course.

G. I. Carney of Waco is visiting his brother, J. A. Carney and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ross and their daughter, Eugenia, spent the week-end with relatives in Odell.

E. O. Youngblood, who has been ill with influenza, is recovering.

Mrs. G. L. Robinson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leslie Russell, of Fort Worth.

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BEGIN SURVEY ON EDUCATION

SUPT. L. A. HOLLAR HAS RECEIVED BLANKS AND ALL INSTRUCTIONS

Necessary blanks for the taking of an educational census have been received by L. A. Hollar, County Superintendent from the committee on Educational Survey. These blanks which are in the form of a questionnaire are being sent out by Mr. Hollar to the board of trustees in each school district. Willbarger county has been selected by the board as a representative county for this part of the state is announced by the superintendent and it is very necessary that the information be supplied to the educational survey board by the trustees as soon as possible.

Some time ago the legislature made an appropriation for the educational survey and the committee is endeavoring to make a careful canvass of the state. The legislature is trying to find out through this educational census, how the money for education is being spent; whether it is being wasted or if any department such as rural schools, university, etc., are getting too much of the funds.

The county superintendent is urging that each board of trustees answer all questions and send in the questionnaires as soon as possible to the chairman of the board of educational survey so that Willbarger county may do her part in the great movement to further the cause of education as requested by the legislature.

Miss Blanche Groves Thanks Local Friends for Christmas Box

Miss Blanche Groves, former teacher in the Vernon High school, now a missionary in China, writes to thank her friends in Vernon who remembered her with a box of gifts Christmas. The letter follows:

Soochow, China, Dec. 28, 1923.—Woman's Alliance, Vernon Baptist Church. My precious friends: It really is true that "life grows sweeter, and joys more true, whenever dear friends I think of you," and the many deeds of kindness on your part are constant reminders of what you are to me.

This Christmas box was a most unique one. You sent the exact things I wanted most. How did you know just what to send?

I only wish I could be there in person to thank each one of you individually for your great share in this most wonderful Christmas box that brought so much joy to me.

Oh! the handkerchiefs, scarfs, hose, powderpuffs, stationery, clothing, towels, Victrola records, and everything nice were received and appreciated with all my heart.

I want to mention especially the records for physical exercises. I am perfectly delighted, yes charmed with them. They are exactly what we need in our school here, and how the children will enjoy them.

The entire collection of records is perfectly wonderful and I can assure you I am working to the tune of music every day and have been since Christmas day.

This Victrola has been one of the greatest joys of my life and now with all these lovely new records I am overwhelmed with joy. If I were to give the rest of my life to the Vernon church I could not half-way repay you for the many kindnesses shown. Your gifts so often are such that they can also be shared by the Chinese. The children here appreciated the gifts from your sunbeams that were in the box also.

Now if I were in Vernon today I would want to go to each one of the



J. T. Johnson, Mgr.
It is reported in Washington that J. T. Johnson, manager of the Three Rivers, N. M., ranch of ex-Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall, is under constant surveillance. He had been summoned to Washington to be questioned about the statement of Archie Roosevelt, son of the late President, that he received checks for \$68,000 from a representative of Harry F. Sinclair, oil magnate, and also about Fall's expenditure on his ranch after a long period of apparent penury.

following to thank you personally and with my whole heart for the gifts sent by Mrs. J. O. Wright, Mrs. Goetze and Pauline, Mrs. Stanford, Misses Ethel Haney, Jewell, Newlin, Mesdames Thompson, A. H. Murchison, L. A. Foster, J. N. Wright, J. O. Rouse, J. A. Randall, Hockersmith, W. N. Martin, R. G. Hughes.

Then I would want to go by the Pendleton Music Store to thank Mr. Pendleton for the lovely records, then on to the church and thank everybody again. In case I had missed some one. But not being there the next best thing is to try to express my appreciation in writing and yet how utterly impossible.

I can never repay you for what you have done for me but I pray the Savior may help me to "pass it on."

We are encouraged from year to year as we celebrate Christmas in China for the number of Chinese who help us to celebrate Christmas increases each year.

How sad and pathetic it is to me to have many many Chinese ask what Christmas means and to know that in hundreds of homes right here in Soochow Christmas means nothing.

But the babe Jesus, who came to bring peace in the world was a gift to China as well as the other nations and his light is permeating this land of heathen darkness and some sweet day after while China as a nation can sing from the depths of their soul "Joy to the world the Lord is come."

Again thanking you with all my heart and asking that these thanks be extended to every person if possible who contributed in this happy Christmas to me. Yours ever,

BLANCHE GROVES.

H. N. Brooks Out for Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

H. N. Brooks has announced his candidacy for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held in July of this year. Mr. Brooks says:

"My home is three miles north of Vernon and I have been a resident of Willbarger county 16 years, and practically all that time in Precinct No. 3, therefore I think I am familiar with the roads in that precinct."

I believe in maintaining the roads of the precinct in the very best condition possible with the funds available, and will distribute the road work among the several different communities as fairly and justly as it is possible to do.

I believe in an economical and business-like administration of the affairs of the county and will put forth every effort to make a good commissioner if elected.

I will appreciate the support of the people and ask the consideration of my claims by all voters in Precinct No. 3. I intend to make a thorough canvass of the precinct between now and the primary and will personally interview as many of the voters as I possibly can.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our appreciation to every one for the help and sympathy so freely offered during the suffering and departure of our precious baby. May the Heavenly Father bless and keep you all.

OSCAR BATES and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Stine of Quanah were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stine, Sunday.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For District Attorney 46th Judicial District:

JOHN A. STOREY

For County Judge:

O. T. WARLICK

For County Tax Collector:

MRS. C. M. BLAIR

H. L. COLEMAN

For County Clerk:

J. W. BROCK (re-election.)

For County Tax Assessor:

FRED NEWTH

D. M. FEREBEE

R. V. PAIR

R. R. BROOKS

For County Sheriff:

W. FRANK EDMONSON, (re-election.)

H. G. WALL

For County Attorney:

O. O. McCURDY

For County Treasurer:

MRS. JOHN W. BUSTER

W. C. ALDERMAN, (re-election.)

For District Clerk:

MRS. J. A. WALKER (re-election.)

For County Superintendent:

THOS. E. PIERCE

L. A. HOLLAR (second term.)

For Public Weigher:

M. L. WALKER

L. A. (ALEX) EDMONSON

H. N. (Newt) FROST

G. H. JORDAN

For Commissioner Prec. No. 1:

A. M. BOUTLAND, (re-election.)

For Commissioner Prec. No. 2:

W. G. McDONALD

ROY L. FERGUSON

T. J. MILNER

For County Commissioner, Prec. 3:

S. L. PAGE

C. F. HAMILTON

J. M. REYNOLDS

H. N. BROOKS

For Commissioner, Prec. No. 4:

R. COBB, (re-election.)

For Justice of Peace, Prec. No. 1:

T. J. GRIFFITHS

W. M. BLACKWOOD

EX-ACTRESS WEDS BRITISH GENERAL.



General and Mrs. Sackville-West.

Major-General Sir Charles John Sackville-West, nephew of the late Lord Sackville, British Ambassador to the United States from 1881 to 1888, has been married in New York City to Mrs. Anne Meredith Bigelow, former actress. He is 53 and she is 28. His first wife died in London in 1920. The present Lady Sackville-West divorced Stephen Bigelow, of Boston, in Paris. Under the name of Anne Meredith she played in many Broadway successes. General Sackville-West has a long and meritorious career as a soldier of note. He was the British representative on the Supreme War Council.

Shackleford Will Vote on Bonds to Build Good Roads

Shackleford County is keeping step with progress and a bond election has been ordered for March 1 to vote on an issue of \$500,000 for good roads. Editor Richard M. McCarty, of the Albany News, is championing the bond and ready to go. Following is his first article on the election since it has been ordered.

"A bond election for the construction of hard surfaced roads was ordered by the Commissioners' Court in regular session Thursday morning, date of election, Saturday, March 1, 1924. The election calls for a bond issue of \$500,000, 5 1-2 per cent bonds, not to run over thirty years. This is a county-wide election and for the purpose of the construction of hard surfaced roads on Highway No. 1 running from the line of Stephens county to the line of Taylor county, Highway No. 18 from the line of Callahan county, going through Moran, Albany and on to Luaders, joining on to Jones Co., near the city of Luaders. Southwest Trail, running from Albany to the line of Throckmorton county, and making the town of Fort Griffin. Making a total mileage of about eighty miles of hard surfaced roads in Shackleford county. All property taxpayers, that means any kind of property, either real or personal rendered for taxes, and being qualified voters, will be entitled to vote in this election. It takes two-thirds of all the votes cast in the election to win the election, hence the importance of all road boosters getting busy and working for the issue. The election order will appear in the Albany News next week, too late for publication this week. The proposition to the voters of Shackleford county is this: The State and Federal Governments will give us two dollars for one, that is up to eight hundred thousand dollars, eight hundred thousand dollars being the limit given to any county. Hence, if we vote five hundred thousand dollars, that will give the county thirteen hundred thousand dollars to expend on good roads in this county, and virtually every dollar of it will be spent in this county, and that means a whole lot to the laboring class of people. There will be very little of this money sent out of the county for material, as we have an abundance of rock and gravel, you might say on the right of way, and thirteen hundred thousand dollars turned loose in this county in the next two years will mean much, and think of it, eight hundred thousand dollars will come out of the other fellows' pockets. And another big item, every laboring man, and every farmer who wants to put in time on this work can make his tax money come dead easy, yes, can work enough to pay his road taxes for years. Yes, the expenditure of this money will be a good send to the whole county merchant, farmer and banker stockman and oil man, yes, it will effect everyone. Now come on folks and let's go over the top for progress, let's get on the map and bring grand old Shackleford county out of the mud hole. Why God bless your soul boy, if it would only

increase the value of our land one dollar per acre, that would more than pay the principal of the bond issue, but take it from us, land values are going to jump up, and as a consequence, we will never feel the pressure of this bond issue—Selah."

Resolutions—Mrs. Mary E. Swim.

Resolutions adopted on the death of Mrs. Mary E. Swim by the First Quarterly Conference of the Tolbert Circuit, M. E. Church South, held at Tolbert, Jan. 26, 1924:

Whereas, God in the dispensation of his providence has removed from our midst to His kingdom above, Sister Mary A. Swim, who has been a faithful member of our church for nearly thirty years; and whereas we desire to give expression to our appreciation of her life in our community and her loyalty to her church and our sense of loss at her death.

Now be it resolved by the members of this quarterly conference:

First: That Sister Swim was a useful, faithful and loyal member of our church, and that our church and community have felt the ennobling influence of her Christian life.

Second: That in the death of Sister Swim our church as well as our entire community have sustained

Names Mr. Harding in Oil Scandal.



Senator George W. Norris.

United States Senator George W. Norris, Republican of Nebraska, denounced his party leaders by declaring on the floor of the Senate that the blame for the Teapot Dome oil leasing scandal rested on the late President Warren G. Harding for signing over to Secretary Fall, of the Interior Department, the right to dispose of naval oil lands.

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